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Chwang Paou, seeing Mencius, said to him, "I had an audience of the King. The King told me that he loved music, and I was not prepared with anything to reply to him. What do you pronounce about that say, 'This man won't do,' don't listen to love of music?' Mencius replied, "If the them. When your great officers say, 'This King's love of music were very great, the kingdom of Ts'e would be near to a state of .good government." Another day, Mencius, having had an

audience of the King, said, "You, O King. I have heard told the officer Chwang, that you love music; was it so?" The King changed color, and said, "I am unable to love the music of the ancient sovereigns; I only love the music that suits the manners of the present age." Mencius said, "If your love of music were very great, O King, Ts'e would be near to a state of good government! The

music of the present day is just like the music of antiquity, in regard to effecting The King said, "May I hear from you the proof of that?" Mencius asked, "Which is the more pleasant-to enjoy music by yourself alone, or to enjoy it along with others?" "To enjoy it along with others" was the reply." "And which is the more pleasant-to enjoy music along with a few,

or to enjoy it along with many." "To enjoy it along with many."

Mencius proceeded, "Your servant begs
to explain what I have said about music to you, O King. Now you, O King, are having music here. The people hear the noise of your bells and drums, and the notes of your fifes and pipes, and they all, with aching heads, knit their brows, and say to one another, 'That's how our king likes his music! But why does he reduce us to this extremity of distress?-Fathers and sons cannot see one another. Elder brothers and younger brothers, wives and children, are separated and scattered abroad.' Now you, King, are hunting here. The people Estimates Given on all Work hear the noise of your carriages and horses. and see the beauty of your plumes and streamers, and they all, with aching heads, Building Trade, knit their brows, and say to one another, 'That's how our king likes hunting! But why does be reduce us to this extremity of distress?-Fathers and sons cannot see one another. Elder brothers and younger brothers, wives and children, are separated and scattered abroad.' Their feeling is from the people to have pleasure as well as your-Now you, O King, are having music here. The people hear the noise of your bells and drums, and the notes of your fifes and pipes, and they all, delighted and with joyful looks, say to one another, 'That sounds as if our king were free from all sickness! If he were not, how could he enjoy this music?' Now you, O King, are hunting here. The people hear the noise of your carriages and horses, and see the beauty of your plumes and streamers, and TO THE PUBLIC! they all, delighted and with joyful looks, their pleasure as you have yours. If you, O King, now will make pleasure a thing common to the people and yourself, the of the highest types of polity—a Constitutional

Our long experience as MECHANICS warrants us in saying that our new venture will meet a want long felt in this it so, that the park of King Wan contained seventy square lef" Mencius replied, "It Was it so large as that?" exclaimed the King. "The people," said Mencius, "still looked on it as small." The King added. " My park contains only forty square le, and the people still look upon it as large. How is this?" "The park of King Wan," was the reply, "contained seventy square (n.p.) le, but the grass-cutters and fuel-gatherers had the privilege of entrance to it; so also had the catchers of pheasants and hares. He shared it with the people, and was it not with reason that hey looked on it as small? When I first arrived at the borders of your State, I inquired about the great prohibitory regulations before I would venture to enter it; and I heard that inside the border-gates there was a park of forty square te, and that he who killed a deer in it was held guilty of the same crime as if he had killed a man. Thus those forty square le are a pitfall in

The King, Seuen, of Ts'e, asked, "Was

the middle of the kingdom. Is it not with with reason that the people look upon them as large? The King Seuen, of Ts'e, had an interview with Mencius in the Snow Palace, and said to him, "Do men of talent and worth likewise find pleasure in these things?" Mencius replied "They do; and if people generally are not able to enjoy themselves, they condemn their superiors. For them, when they cannot enjoy themelves, to condemn their superiors is wrong; but when the superiors of the people do not make enjoyment a common thing to the people and themselves, they also do wrong. When a ruler rejoices in the joy of his people, they also rejoice in his joy; when grieves at the sorrow of his people, they Iso grieve at his sorrow. A sympathy of joy will pervade the empire; a sympathy sorrow will do the same. In such a state

of things, it cannot be but that the ruler attain to the Imperial dignity."

The King said, "May I hear from you that the true royal government is?' "Formerly," was the reply, "King Wan's government of K'e was as follows:-The sbandmen cultivated for the Government one-ninth of the land; the descendants of officers were salaried; at the passes and in the markets, strangers were inspected, but goods were not taxed; there were no prohibitions respecting the ponds and weirs; the wives and children of criminals were not involved in their guilt. There were the old and wifeless, or widowers; the old and husbandless, or widows; the old and childless, or solitaries; the young and fatherless, or orphans;-these four classes are the most destitute of the people, and have none to whom they can tell their wants; and King Wan, in the institution of his government with its benevolent ac-Brackets, Hat Racks, Whatnots, Music Stands, Ac., at tion, made them the first objects of his

regard, as it is said in the Book of Poetry: The rich may get through, But alss! for the miserable and solitary." The King said, "O excellent words!" Mencius said, "Since you, O King, deem them excellent, why do you not practise them?" "I have an infirmity," said the King; "I am fond of wealth." The reply Formerly, Kung-lew was fond of wealth. It is said in the Book of Poetry: He reared his ricks, and filled his granaries ;

He tied up dried provisions and grain in bottomiess bags and sacks, That he might gather his people together, and glorify With bows and arrows all-displayed With shields, and spears, and battle-axes, large and

In this way those who remained in their old seats had their ricks and granaries, and those who marched had their bags of provisions. It was not till after this that he thought he could commence his march. If you, O King, love wealth, let the people be able to gratify the same feeling, and what

difficulty will there be in your attaining the Imperial sway ? Mencius said to the King Suen of Ts'e, "O King, suppose that one of your Ministers were to entrust his wife and children to the care of his friend, while he himself | crease before mentioned it has to be remarked went into Ts'oo to travel, and that, on his | that the returns from Eogland and Wales form return, he should find that the friend had caused his wife and children to suffer from cold and hunger-how ought he to deal with him?" The King said, "He should

east him off." Mencius proceeded: "Suppose that the chief criminal judge could not regulate the officers under him, how would you deal with him?" The King said, "Dismiss

Mencius again said: "If within the four

you do not know it." The King said, "How creasing more rapidly than the geometrical augshall I know that they have not ability. and so avoid employing them at all?" The reply was: "The ruler of a State advances to office men of talents and virtue only as a matter of necessity. Since he will thereby cause the low to overstep the honourable, and straugers to overstep his relatives, may be do so but with caution? When all those about you say 'This is a man of talent and worth,' you may not for that believe it. When your great officers all say, 'This is a man of talents and virtue,' neither may you for that believe it. When all the people say, 'This is a man of talents and virtue,' then examine into the case, and when you find that man is such, employ him. When all those about you them. When your great officers say, 'This ing motive. To the common eye the latter apman won't do,' don't listen to them. When pear as the sole and sufficient causes, but by the the people all say, 'This man won't do,' then examine into the case; and when

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We therefore hereby declare that we shall, in the 23d year of Meiji, establish a Parliament, in order to carry into full effect the determination we have announced; and we charge our subjects bearing our commissions to make, in the meantime, all necessary preparations to that end.

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those who may advocate sudden and violent changes, thus disturbing the peace of our realm, will fall under our displeasure. "We expressly proclaim this to our subjects. "By Command of His Imperial Majesty, (Signed) SANJO SANETOMI,

First Minister of State. "12th day, 10th Month, 14th year of Meiji. (12th, October, 1881)." The Mail remarks :- " Apart from the great say to one another, 'That looks as if our fact it announces, what strikes us most on reading king were free from all sickness! If he this rescript is, that it is at once an evidence of were not, how could be enjoy this hunt- change and of stability. Of change, because it reason but that you cause them to have wretchedness of feudalism to the comparative ex-Government; of stability, because beyond all this

Monarci, whose throne rests on the religious faith of his subjects. most among those who are sure to cry out against competent to struggle to the surface in times of towards a goal that precipitancy can only tend to days among their fathers and uncles.' make more distant. They are not denied though admonished in so many words, but the construction of the rescript cannot fail to suggest such reflections. Its opening sentence carries the minds of the people back to the ages when social freedom and political rights were dreams that had never visited the happiest sleeper, and bids them draw a contrast between those evil days and these later years of progress, which has now come within sight of its bourne. Japan is not to dissociate herself from her past. The law-abiding reverence which, under the rule of one hundred and twenty-two sacred monarchs, has grown into an element of the national character, is not to be set aside or despised but rather to be strengthened by the contemplation of the channels into which the Emperor's hereditary beneficence has been directed. The reins of power were reassumed fourteen years ago, and not to be held henceforth by an autocrat, but to be placed so soon as might be, in the hands of his faithful people. If the achievement of the purpose that obtained at the restoration has been somewhat delayed, the gradual and unswerving steps by which it has been approached, leaves no room to doubt its ultimate consumation. Of those steps the nation is reminded as an earnest of things awaiting it in the immediate future. The programme is certain, but it must be deliberate. Those whose vor es have reached the throne from all quarters of the Empire, praying that the nation's expectancy may Practical Confectioner, Pastry Cook and Baker, soon be satisfied, can now look forward to the definite realization of their hopes, and it will be for them to prove by their temperance and discretion that the period of their probation may be shortened; while those, on the other hand, who find delay intolerable because it prolongs their own insignificance, are reminded that any advocacy of "sudden and violent changes" will

inevitably incur the Imperial displeasure. Curious Particulars about Suicides.

Professor Morselli has just published a book under the title of " Suicide; An Essay on Comparative Moral Statistics." The following ex- Rents Rooms & Houses. tract is from a review of the work :-

" The 'analytical' part of Professor Morselli's

book commences with the painful fact that 'suicide has continually increased from the beginning Address: of the century, and goes on continually increasing in almost all the civilized countries of Europe and of the new world.' He also holds that 'the certainty of the figures and the regularity of the | d24 tf progressive increase of suicide, from the time when statistics were first collected to now, is such and so great, even in respect to countries different in race, religion and number of inhabitants, that it is not possible to explain it otherwise than as an effect of that unusual and complex influence to which we give the name of civilisation." The most noticeable feature of the returns of suicide, of which great numbers are collected and worked up into elaborate tables in this work, is their SPECIFICATIONS DRAWN UP! wonderful regularity. In this they surpass the statistical returns of births, deaths and marriages. This fact, observes our author, has been used by many great statisticians to deny the reality of independent human actions, and to declare that the same laws exist in the moral as in the physical world. It is wonderful to note, amid all the diversity of causes which lead each individual man or woman to suicide, the unfailing regularity of the rate per thousand per annum in the different nations. With respect to the general inan exception to this rule. They do not decrease, IT ALL TRANSLATIONS GUARANTEED but they show no noteworthy tendency to rise From this it would seem that there is a maximum to the increase and that when this is attained the increase is checked. But without denying the significance of this exceptional case, which is indeed the more exceptional from its occurrence in a country which once held such a fatal notoriety for the frequency of its suicides, the aggregate of all the returns supplies a law borders of your kingdom there is not good which is thus formulated by our author. government, what is to be done?" The It is "that in the aggregate of the civilised states King looked to the right and left, and spoke of Europe and America the frequency of suicide of other matters. "You, O King, have no | shows a growing and uniform increase: so that intimate Ministers even. Those whom you generally, voluntary death, since the beginning advanced yesterday are gone to-day, and of the century, has increased, and goes on in-

mentation of the population and of the general

But it is to be remarked that the regularity observable in the returns is not that of uniformi-Each state has its own suicide, rate, as it has its statistical rates of crime, marriage and growth, and population. This varying rate in different states affords the investigator data whence he is able to conclude, or at least conjecture, the weight which elimate, race, culture and the other elements of natural life have on this PORTABLE OR PERMANENT particular phenomenon. The various influences are examined by our author, by whom they are classed under the heads of-1. Cosmico-Natural Influences; 2, Ethnological; 3, Social; 4, Biological and Social Conditions of the Individual; 5, Individual Psychological Influences, or determinscientific inquirer they are viewed as being comparatively of little importance.

you find that the man won't do, send him "Giving out attention, then, first to the cosmico-natural influences, we find these include climate, with respect to which the maximum of favourable influence seems found in Europe at about 50° of lati ude. The higher average of suicides of the different states is found in those provinces which are nearest the ' area of predilection.' Seasons and months are viewed as Keep Constantly on hand a Large and Superior Assortment of cupied by our dynasty for over 2 500 year-, and influences on suicide. Season is shown to have a very powerful influence."

Foreign Items.

EARTHQUAKE AT TONGATABOO. - The mission brig John Wesley, from the New Hebrides, reports that on the night of November 24 a severe shock of earthquake was felt at Tongataboo. It was by far the heaviest shock experienced there during the past twenty years. The John Wesley was the only vessel anchored in the harbor at the time. The shock was felt in an alarming manner by those on board, but on shore the whole island undulated-the ground rising and falling with a progressive motion like the waves of the sea, making it impossible to stand. About four miles from the town of Neukalofa a large valley was formed, where before it was a level plain. The weather two days before the occurrence was ex-

tremely hot and sultry .- S. M. Herald Indian Coolies .- The Government of South Australia is about to take a decided step towards the solution of the difficult problem of providing " cheap labor " for the Northern Territory. In the past, Mennonites from Southern Russia, Japanese, Kanakas, and Chinese have all been suggested as desirable immigrants, but the projects for their introduction by the State fell through, although the Chinese have succeeded in obtaining a pretty firm footing by their own un-aided enterprise. Now that the sugar-growing industry seems likely to be established on a large scale in the North, the Government has determined to despatch Major Fergusson to India to

labor. - Australasian. How to Teach Reading .- At a recent meeting of the St. Louis Pedagogical Society, the question of reading in the Public schools was exhaustively discussed. One speaker wished for reading with emphasis without stopping to spell or explain. Reading, he thought, should be taught in a manner similar to music. If music was taught like the present system of reading. the learner would be stopped at the end of each chord, and questioned on the history and philosophy of music before going to the next chord ain harmony and melody. Another teacher said that often in his reading-classes he gave the pupils newspaper and magazine articles to read silently at first, and afterward aloud, such parts ing?' Their feeling thus is from no other promises Japan that, having passed from the as were peculiarly interesting to them, thus cultivating instructive reading. He claimed that the best results and fairest tests in reading were obtained in instructive rather than in voice cul-

ture reading .- S. F. Bulletin THE VIELIN FOR GIRLS. - A correspondent transition is discernible the sacred majesty of a writes to the Queen :- " I do not know whether it made much way in the provinces, of which my acquaintance and experience are small, but in "That the terms of this rescript will meet and around London for twenty miles round there with universal approval is most unlikely. Fore- is hardly a family, blessed with an average endowment of girls, in which one of them is not it as an unnecessary prograstination of the na- learning or destined to learn the violin. I even tion's maturity, are the leaders of the Secret So- attend the practices of concerts given by many cieties - the men who, seeing them elves in- amateur musical societies in and around London and generally find young ladies among the ranks social tranquility, would fain stir up some tide of of the violin players. On all sides there is abundisturbance for the sake of the walfs its waters dant evidence that the movement is general and may drift within their reach. To such as these strong. The violin dealers and masters tell the the last paragraph of the Imperial decree is spe- same story, and I cannot doubt that ten years cially addressed. The Emperor tells his subjects hence the violin will be far more common in the to reflect before they stretch out too eager hands bands of young ladies than it ever was in former

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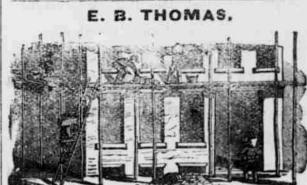
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